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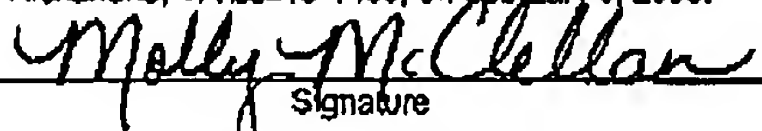
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

In re Application of: Andrew J. Ries et al.
For: SMALL FORMAT CONNECTOR CLIP OF AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE
Serial No.: 10/632,058
Filed: July 31, 2003
Docket No.: P11122.00

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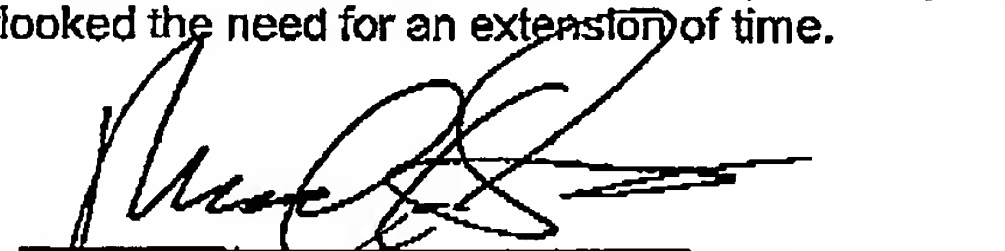
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Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the final Office Action mailed December 5, 2005, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on March 5, 2006. Entry and consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.